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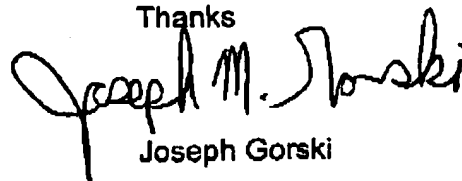
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Message: Pursuant to our phone conversation of today, please find provided herewith proposed amendments to claim 26. I believe that these amendments overcome the new matter rejection by reciting that the "first portion" is part of the sidewall of the container and not part of the flange, and by reciting that the "second portion" extends -- radially --. It is also believed that these amendments overcome the prior art rejections because the portion of Miller that appears to correspond to the claimed "second portion" does not form an angle of 90 degrees with the longitudinal axis of the container as shown in the attached Figure 6, and thus does not extend "radially". Let me know your thoughts.

Thanks


Joseph Gorski

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